

In the Abstract:

Please amend the paragraph at page 30, lines 2 to 19, as follows:

~~Support structure with at least one support structure cell or module, especially variable support structure with cellular or modular construction. The invention relates to a support structure with at least one support structure module (91), especially a~~ A ~~variable support structure with modular construction consisting of~~ includes ~~at least one support structure module, which is bounded by joints (114, 115, 126, 121) of a first joint set that lie in a first surface, and by joints (101, 102, 113, 108) of a second joint set that lie in a second surface, and with at least one joint (109) of a third joint set that lies outside of the first surface, whereby at~~ surface. At least a portion ~~some~~ of the joints of the first and second joint set is ~~fixable in its sets have a~~ fixable ~~position relative to one another, especially being connectable with one another, by a guide mechanism, characterized in that, the~~ mechanism. ~~The~~ at least one joint (109) of the third joint set is connected with at least two joints (114, 115, 113, 121) of the first and/or second joint set by a connecting element (39, 41, 43, 45) that transmits essentially only tension forces.

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